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- 25X1X 1. It is expected that Czechoslovakia will dissolve many branches of its foreign trade monopolies including Kotva, Onipol and Chemapol and will make future purchases abroad through private dealers.* The Czechs will, however, continue to exploit the Austrian contacts of the Czechoslovak Commercial Attache in Vienna, Bohumil Svoda. These include Zima, representative of Poldi, Bionert and Benjamin Gesundheit, representatives of Czechglas** and Koranika and the firm of Elcom.***
2. Josef Turek of Onipol and Svoda recently arranged the purchase of industrial diamonds believed to originate either in Brazil or South Africa.

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